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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL VISITOR PROGRAM; KUWAIT MINISTER
OF EDUCATION, JASIM KHALID DAOUD AL MARZOUK

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1. PAO'S DISCUSSION WITH MARZOUK FOLLOWING POINTS EMERGED:

A. MARZOUK WILLING TRAVEL LATE APRIL OR EARLY MAY.

PRECISE DEPARTURE DATE WILL BE ESTABLISHED ASAP.

B. MINISTER WILL PROBABLY BE ACCOMPANIED BY AIDE
FROM OFFICE, SECRETARY GENERAL UNIVERSITY AND ANOTHER
MEMBER FROM MINISTRY EDUCATION.

C. ALL EXPENSES RE TRAVEL AND STAY IN USA TO BE
BORNE BY GOK.

D. IV FINANCIAL GRANT NOT NECESSARY. HOWEVER
FACILITATIVE SUPPORT NEEDED. POST WOULD APPRECIATE
DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING COMPLETE PROGRAM
FOR MARZOUK AND COMPANY TO INCLUDE VISIT PRINCETON.
FORMER AMBASSADOR STOLTZFUS SHOULD BE CONTACTED THIS
REGARD.

E. ADDITIONAL ASPECTS VISIT SHOULD BE COORDINATED
WITH KUWAIT EMBASSY AND ESPECIALLY WITH KUWAIT AMBAS-
SADOR UNITED NATIONS. MARZOUK EXPECTING LETTER FROM
U.N. AMBASSADOR BISHARA AND WILL MAKE HIS TRAVEL
PLANS ACCORDING AMBASSADOR'S ADVICE.

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2. ALTHOUGH POST NO LONGER NOMINATING MARZOUK FOR FULL

IV GRANT WE PLAN SUBMIT NORMAL NOMINATION, BIOGRAPHIC DATA ASAP. WILL PROVIDE BIO DATA OTHERS AS WELL. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT HANDLE MARZOUK AS VIP IN WASHINGTON. MEETING WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY RICHARDSON DESIRABLE. POST WILL SUBMIT ADDITIONAL PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS AS THEY BECOME KNOWN BUT BELIEVE KUWAIT AMBASSADORS WASHINGTON AND UNITED NATIONS BEST SOURCE FOR THIS INFORMATION AT PRESENT. POST DESIRES ONLY THAT MARZOUK BE THOROUGHLY EXPOSED TO EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM, ELEMENTARY THROUGH UNIVERSITY, IN ANY SELECTED STATE COMPARABLE SIZE TO KUWAIT.

3. MARZOUK PLANNING REMAIN USA NO MORE THAN 30 DAYS. MAY BE SHORTER PERIOD. WE WILL URGE HE ARRIVE O/A APRIL 16, A FRIDAY, IN ORDER GIVE HIM WEEKEND ACCLIMATE AND CONSULT WITH COLLEAGUES AT EMBASSY. THIS ONLY TENTATIVE. WILL CONFIRM ASAP.
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